HEALTH SERVICES -- MEDICAL ASSISTANCE -- LONG-TERM CARE

Integrated Health Agencies -- Contracts with Any Willing Providers and Nursing Home Bed Access Study

[Amendment to Motion 513]

Motion:

Move to modify Motion 513 as follows.

- 1. Under Item 1c, require that the Department's waiver request include the preservation of the current "any willing provider" requirement for long-term care providers for a minimum of three years after the implementation date of the program in each region.
- 2. Under Item 6, delete the provision that would request a Legislative Council Study Committee on the adequacy of, and issues related to, access to nursing home beds, including the potential cost and quality implications of increasing the number of licensed skilled nursing facility beds in Wisconsin no later than January 1, 2017.

Note:

Motion 513 would require DHS to request a waiver from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services that would authorize changes in the state's long-term care programs. The motion includes eight required components of the request.

Under current law, the state's contracts with a managed care organizations that offer services under Family Care must include a requirement that the MCO contract for the provision of services with specified long-term care providers that agree to accept the reimbursement rate that the MCO pays under contract to similar providers with which the MCO contracts to provide the same service. This is commonly referred to as the "any willing provider" provision.

This motion would add a ninth required component of the waiver request, that would include preserving the current "any willing provider" requirement for long-term care providers for a minimum of three years after the implementation date of the program in each region.

In addition, this motion would delete the provision regarding a Legislative Council Study Committee on access to nursing home beds.

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